THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Kazuki TSUCHIMOTO et al.

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OPTICAL FILM, AND VISUAL DISPLAY

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 3, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2004, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows, and that the rejection of record be reconsidered in view of the following remarks. It is requested that the Amendments filed August 27, 2004 and October 4, 2004 not be entered.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

A Request for Continued Examination, a Petition for a two-month extension of the time period for response, and an Information Disclosure Statement are submitted with this paper.